

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 574

By Camper

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend former State Senator Margaret Louise Carter of Oregon, the fourth president of N.O.B.E.L. Women.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly take great pride in specially recognizing and welcoming to Tennessee those estimable persons who are state and national leaders; and

WHEREAS, one such exemplary individual is former State Senator Margaret Louise Carter of Oregon, who served as the fourth president of the National Organization of Black Elected Legislative (N.O.B.E.L.) Women, which is holding its 2017 annual conference in Nashville from June 28<sup>th</sup> through July 2<sup>nd</sup>; and

WHEREAS, established in 1985, N.O.B.E.L. Women is a nonprofit, non-partisan organization primarily composed of current and former black women legislators and appointed officials that works to increase and promote the presence of black women in government and serves as a global voice to address issues affecting the lives of all women; and

WHEREAS, in 1984, Ms. Carter became the first African-American woman to win election to the Oregon legislature; she served in the Oregon House of Representatives through 1997. In 2000, she was elected to the Oregon State Senate and was selected as Senate President Pro Tempore in 2005; and

WHEREAS, it is highly appropriate that we recognize this esteemed leader and welcome her to the great State of Tennessee on this special occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend former State Senator Margaret Louise

Carter of Oregon for her service as the fourth president of the National Organization of Black Elected Legislative (N.O.B.E.L.) Women and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.